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MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE

Thursday, October 8, 2015 9:00 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Leonard, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Leonard, Theis, Franz, Goike, Glardon, LaFontaine, Lyons, Barrett, Runestad, Vaupel, Webber, Cochran, Banks, Clemente, Kosowski, D. Miller, Wittenberg.

Representative Glardon made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of September 10, 2015. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4836 (Lyons)	Insurance; long-term care; long-term care insurance; modify to comply with federal requirements for establishing a partnership program.
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Representative Webber made a motion to report HB 4836 with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Leonard, Theis, Franz, Goike, Glardon, LaFontaine, Lyons, Barrett, Runestad, Vaupel, Webber, Cochran, Banks, Clemente, Kosowski, D. Miller, Wittenberg.
(17/17)

Nays: None. (0/17)

Pass: None: (0/17) (17/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Cards for HB 4836 were submitted by:

Frank Venuto, representing the American Council of Life Insurers, in support

Kris Kraft, representing Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM), in support

The Chair laid the following bills before the Committee.

HB 4933 (Barrett)	Insurance; health insurers; patient's right to independent review act; provide for general amendments relating to health insurance.
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HB 4934 (Kosowski)	Insurance; health insurers; coordination of benefits act; revise.
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HB 4935 (Leonard) Insurance; health insurers; insurance code; provide for general amendments relating to health insurance.

Dominick Pallone, Judy Hooyenga, and Fran Wallace, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans (MAHP), provided a presentation regarding HB 4933-HB 4935. The following topics were reviewed: MAHP vision, MAHP process; current regulation of health insurance in Michigan; general revisions; Key Chapter 35 revisions; Key Chapter 34 revisions; Key Chapter 22 revisions; Patient Right to Independent Review Act and Coordination of Benefits revisions.

Gabe Basso and Teri Morante, representing the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services (DIFS), reviewed provisions of the bills and expressed concerns but stated that DIFS has no official position at this time.

Cards for the bills were submitted by:

Rory Lafferty, representing HAP, in support

David Newman, representing the Economic Alliance for Michigan, in support of HB 4935

Dawn Siggett, representing Fidelis/Centene, in support

Lesia Liss, representing HealthPlus of Michigan, in support

Dave Bilardello, representing Priority Health, in support

Subsequent to questions and discussion, Chair Leonard declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:19 a.m.

Representative Tom Leonard, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk
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